

Monday - September 28th.1931.

An adjourned meeting of the Council was held at the Municipal Hall on Monday, September 28th.1931 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: His Worship Reeve Pritchard in the chair.  
Councillors Martin, Rylett, Lambert, Lench, Wheatley, Gray and Wilson.

Col. W.D.R.Rorison attended and addressed the Council requesting that a representative attend the hearing of the Railway Board of October 21st next, with reference to application of C.N.R. for rail connections at Ducks Station in Richmond municipality and at Sussex Avenue in the Municipality of Burnaby. Col. Rorison suggested that His Worship the Reeve was in a position to render valuable assistance.  
Moved by Cr.Lambert, Seconded by Cr.Rylett: "That His Worship the Reeve be requested to represent this Corporation at the hearing referred to."  
Carried unanimously.

The Clerk submitted report advising that only 6 replies had been received to request from this Corporation for approval of its application for a lease of the bed of Burnaby Lake.  
Moved by Cr.Wilson, Seconded by Cr.Wheatley: "That the report be received and filed and that a committee be appointed to interview such owners as possible."  
Carried unanimously.

His Worship the Reeve named Councillors Martin, Lambert and Wilson as the committee.

The Clerk submitted report advising that he was unable to comply with the order of the Council as contained in resolution passed on July 27th last relative to assessment of Lots 8 and 9, Blocks 25 and 26, D.L. 35, as the resolution did not give the information required under Section 47 (4) of the Local Improvement Act.  
Moved by Cr.Wilson, Seconded by Cr.Wheatley: "That the report be received and the Clerk be requested to draw up a resolution in the form required based on the resolution passed on July 27th. last."  
Carried - Cr.Rylett against.

His Worship the Reeve submitted report advising that he had had an interview with the Honourable, the Minister of Public Works, and the Honourable the Minister of Labour and submitted the programme of works as approved by this Corporation on September 21st, and that he was unable to obtain Government approval of the whole programme but that the Minister was prepared to approve an expenditure of \$400,000 on the basis of a contribution from the Dominion Government of 50% of the total cost of the works provided that the material costs would not exceed 35% of the total cost of the work; 25% of the total wages to be paid by the Provincial Government and the balance of wages and material costs to be borne by this Corporation.  
Moved by Cr.Rylett, Seconded by Cr.Wheatley: "That this Council approve of the arrangement as outlined by His Worship the Reeve."  
Carried - Crs.Wilson and Lambert against.

The Engineer submitted detailed report of amended programme of relief works as follows:

Ward	Labour	Material & Machinery	Total.
1.	\$43,650.	\$11,450.	\$55,000.
2.	38,000.	17,000.	55,000.
3	38,750.	16,250.	55,000.
4.	40,200.	14,800.	55,000.
5.	36,600.	18,400.	55,000.
6	37,000.	18,000.	55,000.
7.	37,000.	18,000.	55,000.
School grounds	14,500.	500.	15,000.

Moved by Cr.Rylett, Seconded by Cr.Martin: "That the programme as submitted by the Engineer be approved and that His Worship the Reeve and the Clerk be authorised to sign and affix the Corporate seal to an agreement between this Corporation and the Provincial Government."  
Carried - Crs.Wilson and Lambert against.

Moved by Cr.Gray, Seconded by Cr.Wilson: "That in any future projected relief schemes a by-law be submitted by way of referendum to the electorate to cover the Corporation moiety."  
Carried unanimously.

His Worship named Crs.Martin, Lench and Gray as a committee to act with himself in the matter of the strike at Barnet provided this Corporation is called upon to act in this matter.

Moved by Cr.Wilson, Seconded by Cr.Lench: "That Mr.R.Stevens be given the requisite notice of discharge as Waterworks superintendent."  
Carried - Crs. Martin, Lench, Wilson, Gray and Wheatley voting in favour - His Worship the Reeve, and Crs.Rylett and Lambert voting against.

His Worship the Reeve advised that he would refer the matter back for reconsideration under power conferred by Section 26 of the Municipal Act.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Lench: "That we believe the entire labour costs, to provide for unemployment relief should be borne by the Federal Government for the following reasons:

- (1) Unemployment is a national problem and bears with unequal hardship in different parts of Canada and only the Federal Government can equalize this hardship.
- (2) Unemployment imposes greater hardship upon the poor than upon the rich and only the Federal Government has adequate means of taxation to equalize this hardship."

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Lench: "That copies of the foregoing resolution be forwarded to the Honourable the Prime Minister; The Honourable the Minister of Labour; the Local Federal member and to each Municipality and City in the Province of British Columbia, and also to the Executive of the Union of B.C. Municipalities."

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Wilson, Seconded by Cr. Martin: "That the resolution submitted to the Union of B.C. Municipalities Convention re Public Utilities be brought forward for submission to the next convention."

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Cr. Rylett, Seconded by Cr. Martin: "That this Council do now adjourn."

Carried unanimously.

Confirmed.

Arthur G. Moore

Clerk.

*W. A. Ritchie*  
Reeve